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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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## DETAILED ACTION

## Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

 Claims 1-14, 19, drawn to a method for transmission of packetized data in a wireless communication system having a designated packet error rate,

classified in class 370, subclass 333.

II. Claims 15, drawn to a method, a base station generate subpacket,

classified in class 455, subclass 561.

III. Claims 16-18, 20, drawn to a method for transmission from a mobile

station in a wireless communication system, classified in class 370,

subclass 342.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

2. Inventions I and II are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together

in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are

shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention  ${\bf II}$  has separate utility such

as a base station generate subpacket corresponding to at least one restriction for

outgoing communication. See MPEP § 806.05(d).

3. Inventions II and III are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together

in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are

shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention III has separate utility

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such as a method for transmission from a mobile station in a wireless communication system corresponding to at least one restriction for outgoing communication. See MPEP § 806.05(d).

4. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Vu whose telephone number is (571) 272-8131. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00am - 6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles N. Appiah can be reached on 571-272-7904. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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